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Question

Can I trap and relocate animal species myself?

Answer

Some types of wildlife can be live-trapped and killed legally on your own property. Some exterminators will do this for a price. However, this is not recommended as the first action. Removing a few individuals will not solve the problem, if wildlife species are finding what they need to live in your neighborhood. More animals will move into the area and fill the void, especially if there is food, water, cover and space for them to live.

Tree squirrels, cottontail rabbits and raccoons can be relocated without a permit provided that:

- Colorado Parks and Wildlife has been notified in advance.
- The relocation site is appropriate habitat for the species.
- Permission has been obtained from the landowner or managing agency where the animal will be released.
- The relocation must occur within 10 miles of the capture site.

If you want to relocate any other species, you must first obtain a Relocation Permit from CPW.

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